

**TOWN OF BENNETT, COLORADO
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting
November 10, 2020**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Trustees of the Town of Bennett met in regular session on Tuesday, November 10, 2020 virtually via Zoom Link. Mayor Royce Pindell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following persons were present upon the call of the roll:

Mayor: Royce Pindell

Trustees Present: Darvin Harrell
Whitney Oakley
Rich Pulliam
Denice Smith
Donna Sus
Larry Vittum

Staff Present: Trish Stiles, *Town Administrator*
Rachel Summers, *Deputy Town Administrator*
Taeler Houlberg, *Assistant to the Town Administrator*
Alison Belcher, *Public Relations Coordinator*
Sara Aragon, *Community Development Coordinator*
Steve Hebert, *Planning and Economic Development Manager*
Danette Ruvalcaba, *Finance and Technology Director*
Dan Giroux, *Town Engineer*
Melinda Culley, *Kelly P.C., Town Attorney*
Christina Hart, *Town Clerk*

Public Present: Kathy Smiley

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Royce Pindell.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

TRUSTEE PULLIAM MOVED, MAYOR PRO TEM HARRELL SECONDED to approve the agenda presented.
The voting was as follows:

YES: Oakley, Pindell, Pulliam, Smith, Sus, Vittum, Harrell

NO: None

Mayor Royce Pindell declared the motion carried by unanimous vote.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

MAYOR PRO TEM HARRELL MOVED, TRUSTEE VITTUM SECONDED to approve the consent agenda as presented.

YES: Pindell, Pulliam, Smith, Sus, Vittum, Harrell, Oakley

NO: None

Mayor Royce Pindell declared the motion carried by unanimous vote.

A. Approval of Minutes

Action: Approval of October 27, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

There were no public comments.

5. REGULAR BUSINESS

A. Action/Discussion Items

1. **Veterans Day Proclamation**

Mayor Royce Pindell, has set his hand and caused the seal of the Town of Bennett, Colorado to be affixed this 10th Day of November, 2020, along with the Town of Bennett Board of Trustees to call upon all citizens to observe Wednesday, November 11, 2020 with appropriate ceremonies in honor of those who have served to preserve the principles of justice, freedom, and democracy.

2. **Adams County Animal Shelter and Animal Management Services Intergovernmental Agreement Amendment**

Trish Stiles, Town Administrator, reported to the Board of Trustees, the Town of Bennett has contracted with the Adams County Animal Shelter in order to utilize their animal shelter services in the event animals are lost or abandoned. The proposed Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) is the first amendment to the original IGA that was entered into in 2018. The amendment is based upon the previous two years of services provided by the Adams County Animal Shelter and the number of animals transported to the shelter. The original IGA was significantly smaller in the amount of animals transported. The Town has increased the number of animals it is transporting to the animal shelter, therefore moving forward the amended IGA is a two-year agreement between the Town of Bennett and Adams County Animal Shelter. There will be a nominal increase for services. The Town of Bennett has a relationship with a local veterinarian Three Musketeers, due to the amount of time it takes to transport the animals to the Adams County Shelter. Three

Musketeers will occasionally shelter the lost animals until their owners can pick them up. Animal licensing is critical in order to assist Officer Vincent to identify the owners.

Staff continues to work towards a Request for Information (RFI) agreement for a potential public private partnership in order to create a type of facility to have a local shelter for lost or abandoned animals.

Town Staff recommends the Board of Trustees approve the first amendment to the IGA.

TRUSTEE OAKLEY MOVED, TRUSTEE VITTUM SECONDED, to approve Resolution No. 849-20 – A Resolution Approving an Amendment to the Intergovernmental Agreement with Adams County for Animal Shelter/Adoption Center Services. Voting was as follows:

YES: Pulliam, Smith, Sus, Vittum, Harrell, Oakley, Pindell
NO: None

Mayor Royce Pindell declared the motion passed by unanimous vote.

6. TOWN STAFF REPORTS

Town Administrator

Trish Stiles, Town Administrator provided the following report;

- Breakfast with Santa is scheduled for December 5, 2020. Distribution of a boxed breakfast will be at Town Hall. Santa will be present.
- Two Planning & Zoning Commissioner seats remain vacant. Ms. Stiles recommended a similar application process for the Commission as was the process for the Board of Trustees. Trustee Sus offered her assistance with the application process.
- Staff continues to work toward completion of 2020 projects.
- The Exit 304 design will be presented to the Trustees during the November 24, 2020 meeting.
- Water Storage Tank is at 10% design.
- Staff is working with current ownership for the BRPOS pond easement.
- Town of Bennett is sponsoring a free meal from High Plains Diner for Veterans on November 11, 2020.

7. TRUSTEE COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Royce Pindell

Mayor Pindell reported on the following;

- Participating in COVID-19 phone calls. The number of cases continue to rise. The Mayor continues to encourage everyone to practice social distancing, wear the mask, wash hands regularly and often.
- Mayor Pindell spoke about the 2021 law enforcement contract with the Adams County Sheriff. The Mayor reiterated that Adams County Sheriff Reigenborn stated during the November 10, 2020 study session, the Adams County Sheriff's Department will provide traffic officers more frequently to the Town of Bennett in 2021 to assist with traffic infractions, per the request of the Board of Trustees.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

For determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(e); Bennett School District 29J.

TRUSTEE PULLIAM MOVED, MAYOR PRO TEM HARRELL SECONDED to go into executive session for: For determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402(4)(e); Bennett School District 29J.

YES: Smith, Sus, Vittum, Harrell, Oakley, Pindell, Pulliam

NO: None

The Mayor declared the motion carried by unanimous vote. The Board went into executive session at 7:50 p.m.

The Board came out of executive session at 8:47 p.m. The Mayor announced that the Board had been in executive session and the following persons participated virtually in that session: Mayor Royce Pindell, Trish Stiles, Rachel Summers, Trustee Oakley, Trustee Pulliam, Steve Hebert, Melinda Culley, Trustee Sus, Trustee Smith, Trustee Vittum, Mayor Pro Tem Harrell, and Christina Hart. The Mayor asked if there were any matters not included in the motion for an executive session or violations of the Open Meetings Law, and if so, that these concerns be stated for the record. No concerns were presented.

The Board of Trustees resumed the open meeting at 8:48 p.m.

9. REPORT FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

During the Executive Session the Board of Trustees instructed negotiators and to continue negotiations related to the Bennett School District Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) as related to the fair contributions for school sites.


10. ADJOURNMENT

TRUSTEE PULLIAM MOVED, MAYOR PRO TEM HARRELL SECONDED to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m. Voting was as follows:

YES: Sus, Vittum, Harrell, Oakley, Pindell, Pulliam, Smith

NO: None

The Mayor declared the motion carried by unanimous vote.

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Royce D. Pindell, Mayor

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Christina Hart
Town Clerk